



TOWN OF KNIGHTDALE

PLANNING AND ENGINEERING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, North Carolina 27545

October 10, 2011

The Knightdale Planning and Engineering Committee met in the conference room in the Town of Knightdale Town Hall at 6:00pm on October 10, 2011.

ITEM I. CALL TO ORDER

...Councilor Gleason called the meeting to order at 6:01pm, Monday October 10, 2011.

ATTENDING: Councilor Gleason, Councilor Poirier, Mark Swan, Fred Boone,
Jeff Triezenberg, Brad Johnson

ITEM II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

...Mr. Boone moved to approve the minutes. Councilor Poirier seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM III. OLD BUSINESS

1. First Avenue, Phase 1
Mr. Boone noted that currently Progress Energy is on the clock and that because utility work was slightly delayed, construction would likely start in mid-January.
2. First Avenue, Phase 2
Mr. Boone noted that all approvals had been granted and construction authorization was proceeding.
3. BB&T right turn lane and crosswalk
Mr. Boone noted that all approvals had been granted and bid would come by the end of the month with construction expected in spring.
4. Mingo Creek Greenway
After Progress Energy expressed some concern about the parking area and alignment on their property, the greenway has been shifted south toward the railroad crossing, perhaps parking is possible in Princeton Manor.

The committee discussed how the new alignment and parking possibilities were very likely more positive than the original plan.

5. Stormwater Utility Update
Mr. Boone explained that staff was anticipating charging for stormwater as a utility in July 2012.

The committee discussed how the utility would be collected and the likely rate of \$2 per residential unit equivalent impervious surface square feet.

6. Code Enforcement
Mr. Triezenberg noted that staff was fine tuning a proposal to be presented at the next meeting, but as grass season was ending, there was no pressing need.

ITEM IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Smoke Free Parks

The Committee discussed their thoughts on Councilor Poirier's proposal to make all the Town's parks smoke free.

Mr. Boone was concerned about policing.

Councilor Poirier noted that simply having signs in the park would likely have most of the intended effect.

Councilor Gleason was worried about the potential waste from smoking in the parks.

Mr. Triezenberg noted that half of the county was doing it.

The committee was generally supportive of smoke free parks. Mr. Gleason directed staff to put together an ordinance amendment for the next meeting.

2. Twin Spires and Pleasant Colony three-way stop proposal

Mr. Boone explained that after citizen complaints at the intersection in Churchill Subdivision, staff noted that a three way stop would prevent blind turns and slow traffic in a sensitive area.

The committee was supportive of the proposed stop signs.

Mr. Swan opposed the plan because he felt it did not address the underlying problems.

Mr. Boone asked for a vote on the proposal.

...Councilor Poirier moved to pursue a three way stop at the location indicated. Councilor Gleason seconded the motion. By a vote of 5-1-0 the motion carried with Mr. Swan in dissent.

ITEM V. OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM VI. ADJOURNMENT

... Without objection Councilor Gleason adjourned the meeting at 6:43pm.

Attest, Councilor Gleason

Clerk to the Planning and Engineering Committee, Brad Johnson